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RIVER PLANS—CLARK**

**Speaker's Support Foreshadows Scramble for River and Harbor Funds.**

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The Speaker, who appeared before the committee to urge favorable action on the number of Missouri River improvement projects, said that the people of the East were anxious to get appropriations for improvement of rivers and harbors in that section, but raised a very important administrative question. "The South and West demanded action," he said. "The idea has developed among our representatives in the East," he said. "That every dollar of the public money expended west of the Allegheny Mountains is pork. You can improve a river in the East, but you can't improve it in the West. It is a public spirited, beneficent appropriation, but the minute the Government proposes to spend a dollar west of the Allegheny Mountains, it is pork." Unless there is a radical change in the policy, I intend to say a few things about the improvement of the Missouri River in the improvement of the Missouri River is but the Government's plain duty. The development of this rich section of the country is the Government's duty. The Missouri River project, on which

millions of dollars already have been expended. City engineers have made a report saying the project was in need of further improvement. As a result, the people in Kansas City and other Missouri River towns are up in arms and have appealed to Speaker Clark for aid.

**Dinner for G. O. P. Captains.**

Supreme Court Justice Nathan B. Laidlaw, County Judge Joseph E. S. Coleman, Frederick Stuebelger and William Young will be the chief speakers tonight at a testimonial dinner given by the Republican Club of the Fifteenth Assembly district at Murray's restaurant. The Republican organization in the 15th went out only one on the campaign trail, and the candidates for Assembly and Board Aldermen at the recent election will give Perkins and Bowen a plurality.

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The Speaker, who appeared before the committee to urge favorable action on a number of Missouri River Improvement projects, charged that members from the East were anxious to get appropriation for improvement of rivers and harbors in that section, but failed to carry out work when advocates of such projects in the South and West demanded action. "The idea has developed among certain statesmen in the East," said Mr. Clark, "that every dollar of the public money expended west of the Allegha-

mountains pork. You can improve river or harbor east of the Allegheny and it is a public spirited, beneficent appropriation, but the minute the Government proposes to spend a dollar west of the Alleghenies it is pork, pork, pork. Unless there is a radical change in the policy I intend to say a few things. There isn't any pork or any pork baron in the improvement of the Missouri River but the Government's plain duty is the development of this rich section."

There promises to be a hot battle of the Missouri River project, on which

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